(a) and (b) 62 proposals were received from Chhattisgarh during the period from January 2003 to March 2005, out of which 27 proposals have been cleared, 16 proposals have been rejected and 19 proposals are pending.

(c) It is not possible to indicate a timeframe as proposals are considered only when they are complete in all respects.

Displacement of children due to demolition of slums

4138. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action has been taken on the memorandum submitted to Government during March 2005, regarding the demolition of slums in Mumbai which resulted in displacement of people and children out of school;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) if no action has been taken so far the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (c) Information is being collected.

Schemes for socially backward, poor and weaker sections

†4139. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes being run by her Ministry for upliftment of socially backward, poor and weaker sections of the society; and

(b) the number of families benefited in Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan in 2003-04?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment are available on the Ministry's website www. socialjustice. nic. in

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(b) the number of beneficiaries covered during the year 2003-04 under the various schemes of the Ministry in Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan are 19,59,849 and 3,01,588 respectively.

Implementation of welfare schemes in U.P.

†4140. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes implemented by Government for education and self-employment of the orphans, handicapped men, women, children and widows in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years; and

(b) the amount allocated and that spent for this purpose during the said period, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) For the education and self-employment of handicapped men and women, under the Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme financial assistance and technical and administrative support is provided to enlarge the scope of vocational and professional opportunities, income generation and gainful employment Sophisticated aid and appliances are supplied under the Scheme of Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/ Fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIP) in order to reduce the impact of disability. The National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation promotes economic empowerment of persons with disabilities through financing self-employment ventures and assisting beneficiaries in Upgradation of their skills. Scholarships are awarded under the scheme for National Scholarship for Persons with Disabilities. For orphans, Ministry promotes adoption as the most viable method for their rehabilitation. For this purpose Scheme for Assistance to Homes for Children (Shishu Grih) is being implemented to promote adoption in country. These schemes are being implemented throughout the country, including Uttar Pradesh. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment does not have any scheme separately for widows.

(b) No. State-wise or district-wise allocation of outlays is done. The detail of amount released during the last three years to Uttar Pradesh, under the schemes mentioned above, is enclosed as Statement.

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